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RE: FTR PATENT APPLICATIONS

Dear Howard:

In response to Alex Holtzman's request, I am enclosing all of the pertinent data related to FTR's denitration process. The two items of particular importance are as follows:

1) Annual Report - Microbiology dated January 1979

2) Process Development - Final Report of Trial NINO 39 - undated

The two reports require immediate attention by your people to determine whether a CIP of PM 848 is necessary (or possible) to include the newer and more specific data related to their preferred aerobic process. Inventorship considerations may be difficult.

Also enclosed are all of the patented/published applications assigned to FTR and related to the project. Additional data related to the sequence of foreign filings is enclosed and contains all of the information I have received from Mr. Mandiratta of FTR. You may want to contact him to determine whether additional publications are available.

Specifically with respect to PM 848 filed 19 January 1979 in the USPTO, I requested a certified copy of the Luxembourg priority docket filed 9 February 1978. A zerox copy was sent instead of an original ribboned copy so you will have to contact Mr. Mandiratta and request the correct document.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosures, please let me know. I would appreciate having copies of all the publications/patents returned to me at your convenience. In the interest of time, I am sending my only copies. If I can be of further assistance please advise.

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Enclosures

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Very truly yours.

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